

**The Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp & Print  
and  
The Virginia Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Print  
Program**

**General Rules and Guidelines:**

A competitive process will again be employed for the selection of original art for the 2007 Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp and the Virginia Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Print programs. The attached documents explain the basics of the program, with some recent history, and include an artist competition agreement and an artist interest and rights assignment.

A panel will judge all submitted art as to its technical and esthetic merit. In the event of highly competitive works, the artist proposed fees (for stamp signing & remarks) will serve as a final deciding, or tie-breaking, factor.

**Rules and Guidelines:**

1. The competition is open to residents of Virginia only.
2. Each artist may submit no more than two original works.
3. The original art subject will be the artist choice.
4. Each submission must be an original work and not previously printed or copied.
5. **Each submission must be “flat-art” and may be in the medium of the artist choice.**
6. **Artwork must be submitted unframed and may be as larger as 18” x 13” keeping in mind that the final printed image will be 9” x 6.5” (with a height to width ratio of 1.4).**
7. Each submittal must be accompanied with a completed and signed “Agreement.”
8. All entries must be received by Virginia Ducks Unlimited before COB on March 5, 2007.
9. Notification (to Virginia Ducks Unlimited) of intent to submit is requested by January 15, 2007.
10. All non-winning entries will be returned to the submitting artist upon completion of judging.
11. Alternatively, the artist may elect to donate his artwork to Virginia Ducks Unlimited for use in fundraising for their conservation efforts. Virginia Ducks Unlimited will recognize such with appropriate IRS acceptable donation documentation. As an additional alternative, the artwork may be donated, on a contingency basis, for auction at one of the Virginia Ducks Unlimited state events. Normally such contributions are auction proceed shared on a 50/50 basis.

The winning artist, and his/her guest, are invited to participate in the Virginia Ducks Unlimited State Convention (normally in March/April) as a guest of Virginia Ducks Unlimited. The winning art is normally offered as the premier centerpiece of the auction at the Grand State Banquet on Saturday evening of each annual convention.

**Virginia Duck Stamp Species History:**

1988 Mallard	1994 Lesser Scaup	2000 Mallard
1989 Canada Goose	1995 Snow Goose	2001 Blue-Winged Teal
1990 Wood Duck	1996 Hooded Merganser	2002 Canvasback
1991 Canvasback	1997 Pintail	2003 Whistling Swan
1992 Bufflehead	1998 Mallard	2004 American Goldeneye
1993 Black Duck	1999 Green-Winged Teal	2005 Wood Duck
2006 Black Duck		

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**Artist Competition Agreement**

The undersigned, hereinafter referred to as the "Artist", hereby submits to Virginia Ducks Unlimited, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "VA DU", the attached original artwork for competition in the 2007 Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp & Print and Virginia Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Print Program. This competition will select a single piece of flat-art, to be reproduced as the 2007 Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp, the 2007 Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp Print, and the Virginia Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Print. The following stipend will be awarded:

Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp & VA DU Sponsor Artist of the Year 2007----- \$1000.00

Artist further agrees and acknowledges that:

1. The winning submissions will become the property of VA DU. VA DU shall be authorized to sell, distribute, display, retain, or otherwise use or dispose of said artwork at its discretion. Within ten (10) days of notification of being selected as the Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp & VA DU Sponsor Artist of the Year 2007, the Artist shall sign an agreement assigning and transferring to VA DU all of his/her copyright rights in the winning art.
2. VA DU will be granted the exclusive right to have all or any portion of the winning original artwork reproduced in any fashion at its own expense. Any single print edition shall not exceed 2,500 copies, or the total prints from all editions shall not exceed 4000 copies. All print copies will be the property of VA DU except that one hundred (100) copies will be designated as Artist Proofs and donated by VA DU to the Artist.
3. If selected as the Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp & VA DU Sponsor Artist of the Year 2007, he/she will promptly sign and number the prints furnished by VA DU at no expense to VA DU.
4. The Artist agrees to wait one (1) year to market the one hundred (100) prints donated by Virginia Ducks Unlimited and designated as Artist Proofs.
5. The Artist further attests that this submission is his original work and has not been reproduced, printed or copied in previous editions.

WITNESS the following signature and seal:

**Artwork Title**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone

**Artist**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

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***ASSIGNMENT***

THIS ASSIGNMENT dated as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007, by and between \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Artist") and VIRGINIA DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC. a Virginia corporation ("VA DU"), provides:

THAT for and in consideration of the conveyance made herein, the consideration, received thereof by the Artist and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. The Artist grants, assigns, transfers, sets over and delivers to VA DU, its successors and assigns, all of the right, title and interest of the Artist, and VA DU does hereby accept all of such right, title and interest of the Artist in and to the art work titled \_\_\_\_\_ and selected by the Virginia Ducks Unlimited as the 2007 Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp and the Virginia Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Art of the Year (the "Art").
2. The Artist warrants and represents that the Art has never previously been published or copied and that the Artist is the sole owner of all rights in it, including but not limited to the right to prevent the making and dissemination of \_\_\_\_\_ copies and the right to obtain statutory copyright extending to him/her the \_\_\_\_\_ exclusive right to manufacture and sell copies for the full statutory term and \_\_\_\_\_ renewal thereof.
3. The transfer and assignment of the Art to VA DU includes a transfer and assignment of all of the Artist's common-law and statutory copyright rights, and \_\_\_\_\_ VA DU shall receive every legal protection that could be accorded to the artist.
4. The Artist further covenants to cooperate, without expense to him/her, in any action brought by VA DU to protect the rights conveyed by this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto have each executed and delivered this Assignment as of the day and year first above written.

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON PAGE 2]

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\_\_\_\_\_  
[the Artist]

VIRGINIA DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
State Chairman

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY/CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, whose name is signed to the foregoing as State Chairman of Virginia Ducks Unlimited, Inc., a Virginia Corporation, has acknowledged the same before me in my jurisdiction aforesaid.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

(AFFIX SEAL)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY/CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, whose name is signed to the foregoing as the Artist has acknowledged the same before me in my jurisdiction aforesaid.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

(AFFIX SEAL)